

Office of the Secretary

August 16, 2011

E. T. Hammerand, Ph.D. P.O. Box 1014 State University, AR 72467

Dear Dr. Hammerand:

The Commission has received your filing, which was submitted on Friday, August 5, 2011, at 5:09 p.m. Because your filing was received after close of business, it was formally accepted on the next business day, Monday, August 8, 2011.

By law, an appeal of a post office closing must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days after the Postal Service formally notifies customers through its Final Determination. See 39 U.S.C. 404(d)(5). The deadline for filing an appeal of the consolidation of the post office in State University, Arkansas was Thursday, August 4, 2011.

The Commission is, therefore, unable to consider your filing as a timely appeal of the consolidation of the State University post office as it does not conform to the statutory requirements for an appeal.

Sincerely,

Shoshana M. Grove

Secretary

cc: Mary Anne Gibbons, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, United States Postal Service